

California Statewide Fire Summary

August 29, 2021

Today, nearly 16,000 firefighters remain on the frontlines of 15 major wildfires and two extended attack wildfires burning across California. Yesterday, crews continued their progress towards containment. Although 38 new initial attack wildfires were sparked yesterday, crews were able to contain most of them quickly though two, the Chaparral Fire and Roadside Fire, have grown to large wildfires.

Since the beginning of the year, wildfires have burned more than 1.7 million acres in California. While firefighters continue their battle on the current major wildfires, CAL FIRE and fire departments across the State remain prepared for potential more significant wildfires due to critical fire weather.

A Red Flag Warning for critical fire weather has been issued for Modoc County this afternoon through this evening, and then again Monday for gusty winds and low humidity. Monday's Red Flag will extend beyond Modoc County down the northern Sierra Nevada just past the Tahoe Basin, and will likely last through Tuesday evening

An excessive heat warning is in effect from 10 am – 8 pm today for the southwestern part of the state. Hot and dry conditions will cause the potential for large fire to remain elevated across the region through this weekend. Across the state, there is a heightened risk for new lightning starts beginning today through Wednesday, especially with thunderstorms that may form over areas that continue to support critically dry fuels.

With the current Red Flag Warning and extreme heat, CAL FIRE urges you to use extreme caution if you have outdoor plans. A wildfire sparked under these conditions can spread rapidly, threatening lives and homes. To learn ways to prevent a wildfire, visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

Fires of Interest:

****CAL FIRE Incidents****

Airola Fire, Calaveras County ([more info...](#))

West of Columbia

*639 acres, 65% contained

*Change in acreage due to more accurate mapping

*Evacuation warnings lifted

****Unified Command Fires****

Dixie Fire, Butte, Plumas, Lassen, Tehama & Shasta Counties ([more info...](#))

Feather River Canyon

*764,135 acres, 48% contained

*Nearly 12,000 structures threatened

*2nd Largest and 14th Most Destructive Wildfire in state history

*Evacuation orders and warnings in place for multiple communities

*Repopulation continues in some areas

*Damage assessment is ongoing

*Unified Command CAL FIRE, USFS, BLM, and National Park Service

*CAL FIRE IMT 1 and Great Basin IMT 1 are in command

Caldor Fire, El Dorado County ([more info...](#))

South of Grizzly Flats – El Dorado National Forest

- *156,515 acres, 19% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place, new evacuation orders issued
- *More than 18,000 structures threatened, 652 structures destroyed
- *Damage inspection is ongoing
- *Highway 50 closed from Sly Park to the junction of Highway 50 and 89
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CAL FIRE IMT 6 and NIMO Team 2 in command

French Fire, Kern County ([more info...](#))

West of Lake Isabella – Sequoia National Forest

- *24,815 acres, 22% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *Unified Command CA Interagency IMT 12 and Kern County Fire

Monument Fire, Trinity County ([more info...](#))

West of Big Bar – Shasta-Trinity National Forest

- *163,155 acres, 23% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *Repopulation ongoing where safe to do so
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CAL FIRE IMT 5 and Alaska IMT in command

Chaparral Fire, Riverside & San Diego County ([more info...](#)) - **NEW**

Southwest of Murrieta – Cleveland National Forest

- *1,425 acres, 10% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings in place
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CA IMT 14 is mobilizing

****Federal Incidents******McFarland Fire, Shasta, Trinity & Tehama Counties** ([more info...](#))

West of Platina – Shasta-Trinity National Forest

- *122,653 acres, 93% contained
- *CAL FIRE is no longer in unified command, but continues to assist
- *CA IMT 11 in command

South Fire, San Bernardino County ([more info...](#))

North of Fontana – San Bernardino National Forest

- *819 acres, 30% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *CAL FIRE is no longer in unified command, but continues to assist

Antelope Fire, Siskiyou County ([more info...](#))

South of Tennant – Klamath National Forest

- *71,408 acres, 50% contained

River Complex, Siskiyou & Trinity Counties ([more info...](#))

West of Callahan – Klamath National Forest

- *96,525 acres, 23% contained
- *Complex is comprised of 23 fires; 16 fires contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *NIMO Team 3 and CA IMT 13 in command

McCash Fire, Siskiyou County ([more info...](#))

Ten Bear Mtn McCash Creek - Six Rivers National Forest

*30,012 acres, 1% contained

*Great Basin IMT 3 is in command

Walkers Fire, Tulare County ([more info...](#))

Northeast of Springville – Sequoia National Forest

*6,643 acres, 45% contained

Lava Fire, Siskiyou County ([more info...](#))

Northeast of the community of Weed - Shasta-Trinity National Forest

*26,409 acres, 90% contained

Beckwourth Complex, Lassen/Plumas Counties ([more info...](#))

Northeast of Beckwourth – Plumas National Forest

*105,670 acres, 98% contained

Tamarack Fire, Alpine County ([more info...](#))

South of Gardnerville – Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

*68,637 acres, 82% contained

****Extended Attack Incidents****

Roadside Fire, San Bernardino County ([more info...](#)) - **NEW**

Cajon Pass – San Bernardino National Forest

*50 acres, 30% contained

*Unified Command CAL FIRE, USFS and San Bernardino County Fire

Washington Fire, Tuolumne County ([more info...](#))

West of Sonora

*100 acres, 50% contained

*Evacuation orders remain in place

*Unified Command CAL FIRE and City of Sonora

Westward Fire, Riverside County ([more info...](#)) - **FINAL**

W. Westward Ave area, Banning – CAL FIRE

*160 acres, **100% contained**

Bennett Fire, Nevada County ([more info...](#)) - **FINAL**

East Bennett Road, Grass Valley

*59 acres, **100 % contained**